

### COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

# CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

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Curtis Morris City Council Member Mark R. Alexander City Manager James Bozajian City Council Member Doug Prichard City Manager Margaret Finlay City Council Member Mark Waronek City Council Member Ernie Hernandez City Manager Kenneth Striplin City Manager Jose Pulido City Manager Marcel Rodarte California Contract Cities Association Patrick Kearney City Council Member

# SECOND REVISED AGENDA NOTICE OF MEETING

The County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board will hold its Regular Meeting on Wednesday, May 8, 2019, at 11:00 a.m., in the City of Monterey Park, Posada Ballroom at Luminarias Restaurant, 3500 Ramona Boulevard, Monterey Park, California 91754.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.
- 3. Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
  - a. <u>Kathleen Anderson</u>, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
     Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 635915 (Consolidated with <u>Kathleen Anderson</u>, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
     United States District Court Case No. CV 15-09289)

This lawsuit concerns allegations of wrongful death and federal civil rights violations by Sheriff's Deputies.

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- 4. Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
  - a. <u>Estate of Armando Garcia v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 687480

This lawsuit concerns allegations of assault and battery and wrongful death by Sheriff's Deputies.

b. <u>Maurice Lallemand v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u>
United States District Court Case No. 2:17-CV-00781

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations by Sheriff's Deputies.

c. <u>Rodriguez, Isaac Jose v. Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 671116

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, false arrest, and excessive force by a Sheriff's Deputy.

- 5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.
- 6. Approval of Minutes for the April 10, 2019, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.

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- 7. Items not on the posted agenda, to be referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a further meeting of the Board, or matters requiring immediate action because of emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda.
- 8. Other Business
- 9. Adjournment

#### **CASE SUMMARY**

### INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Anderson, Kathleen v. County of Los Angeles, et al.

CASE NUMBER BC 635915

COURT Los Angeles Superior Court

DATE FILED September 30, 2016

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 1,300,000

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF Arnoldo Casillas of Casillas & Associates

Ralph Rios of Rios & Associates

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY Millicent L. Rolon, Principal Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE This is a recommendation to settle for \$1,300,000,

the lawsuit filed by Kathleen Anderson alleging that Sheriff's Deputies used excessive force against

Mr. Anderson and caused his death.

The Deputies deny the allegations and contend their

actions were reasonable.

Due to the high risks and uncertainties of litigation, a reasonable settlement at this time will avoid further litigation costs. The full and final settlement of the case in the amount of \$1,300,000 is recommended.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ 117,121

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 9,644

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

#### MINUTES OF MEETING

April 10, 2019

#### 1. Call to Order

This meeting of the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was called to order by Margaret Finlay at 11:22 a.m. The meeting was held in the City of Monterey Park, Luminarias Restaurant, Posada Ballroom, 3500 Ramona Boulevard, Monterey Park, California 91754.

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: Margaret Finlay, Chair, East Division: Mark Alexander, East Division; James Bozajian, North Division; Ernie Jimenez, South Division; Jose Pulido, Central Division; Mark Waronek, South Division; Curtis Morris, At-Large; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Doug Prichard, At-Large; Ken Striplin, North Division; Alternate: Gustavo Camacho, South Division; Reva Feldman, At-Large; Lindsey Horvath, At-Large; John Moreno, South Division; County of Los Angeles Staff: Elizabeth D. Miller. Assistant County Counsel; Richard Hsueh, Deputy County Counsel; Steven Robles, County of Los Angeles; Alex Villanueva, Sheriff; Maria R. Gutierrez, Assistant Sheriff; Adam Navarrette, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Patrick Jordan, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Maxine Kallenberger, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Matthew Squire, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; John Wolak, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Richard Shear, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Kimberly Unland, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Attendees: Karen Bartak, Bedfard Falls Insurance; Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles: Sylvia Hernandez, Claims Manager, Carl Warren & Company; California JPIA: Jonathan Shull, Chief Executive Officer; Jim Thyden, Insurance Programs Manager; Veronica Ruiz, Agency Clerk.

#### 2. Public Comment

Members of the public were provided the opportunity to address the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board. No members of the public addressed the Board.

At 11:23 a.m., the Chair adjourned the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board into Closed Session.

3. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

There are no settlement proposals for this meeting.

- 4. Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
  - a. Estate of Sean West v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
    United States District Court Case No. 2:18-CV-05098

This lawsuit concerns allegations of wrongful death and federal civil rights violations by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The meeting was reconvened into public session at 11:49 a.m. No action was taken in Closed Session which required a public report pursuant to Government Code section 54957.1.

6. Approval of the Minutes for March 13, 2019, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the minutes.

Vote: Ayes: 10 - Margaret Finlay, Ernie Hernandez, Jose Pulido, Curtis Morris, James Bozajian, Patrick Kearney, Doug Prichard, Ken Striplin, Mark Waronek, Mark Alexander.

Absent:

Marcel Rodarte

7. Items Not on the Posted Agenda, to be Referred to Staff or Placed on the Agenda for Action at a Further Meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board, or Matters Requiring Immediate Action Because of Emergency Situation or Where the Need to Take Immediate Action Came to the Attention of the Board Subsequent to the Posting of the Agenda.

None

8. Other Business

None

# 9. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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